



Attlee To Appeal To Workers.

London, Oct. 13.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, is expected to follow up today's announcement that there will be no autumn election by an appeal to the British public to get on with the job of economic recovery.

Authoritative quarters tonight said the Government opposed an autumn election because it considered it wrong in the public interest to disrupt Parliament at this particular point in the economic situation.

The Cabinet believes that job is to carry out its declared policy, with whatever modifications may be called for by the economic situation and that one certain effect of an election now would be to retard the recovery programme by a month.

The impression is gained that the Cabinet is now extremely anxious to see a move to the speculation while the country grapples with economic realities.

NINE MONTHS

The Government has a maximum of nine months in which to ensure that the benefits of the sterling devaluation are not lost.

Parliament's five years' lease of life must end by the beginning of next August. The Government's aim in the interval is to secure a measure of economic improvement which will vindicate a devaluation when the time comes for the electors to judge.

The Prime Minister's decision to stick to his plan for a Spring election is stated authoritatively to have received overwhelming Cabinet support at today's meeting.

The part played by the Health Minister, Mr Aneurin Bevan, the Cabinet left-wing leader, who is believed to lead the Government "early election" champions, is not known.

But a subject of political comment tonight was a further article in the left-wing Labour weekly, The Tribune, which has frequently been regarded as reflecting Mr Bevan's views.

This periodical stimulated speculation a fortnight ago by an article proposing an immediate election.

LEFT WING SHOCK

This week's Tribune, which went to press before Mr Attlee's decision was announced, stated: "We profoundly hope that all doubts have now been removed" (Continued on Page 5)

COMMUNIST TROOPS NOT YET IN CANTON

Red Underground Workers Promise Orderly Take-Over

CANTON CITY WAS QUIET THIS MORNING. NO COMMUNIST TROOPS WERE SEEN, BUT THEY ARE EXPECTED TO ENTER THE CITY SOMETIME TODAY. IN THE MEANTIME, THE COMMUNIST UNDERGROUND HAS VIRTUALLY TAKEN OVER CONTROL, AND HAS ADVISED THE POPULATION THROUGH POSTERS TO KEEP CALM AND TO CARRY ON THEIR NORMAL ROUTINES, ASSURING THEM THAT THE TAKE-OVER WILL BE ORDERLY.

A British Consular official in Canton told the Hongkong Telegraph over the long-distance telephone this morning that there was nothing unusual either in the city or on Shamian Island, where the Consulate-General and other foreign properties are situated. The Assistant Military Attaché, Lt-Col. J. Cooper, was out in his jeep touring the Canton urban and suburban area.

DISPUTE OVER BABY MIX-UP

Melbourne, Oct. 13.—Australia's "Whose Baby" case, in which two sets of parents have been arguing about an alleged mix-up of children in a maternity hospital, came before the Full High Court of Australia, today.

POLICE CHIEF GOES

It was also reported that among those who left the city early this morning was the Chief of the Canton Police, Gen. Chieh Ching-po.

These officials were all reported to have left by ship for Tientsin, formerly Kwang-chowwan, on the Liuchow Peninsula.

Gen. Yu Han-mow was empowered only two days ago by the Nationalist Government to take charge of the defence of Canton.

Another Chinese report said that conditions in the city were confused. Only two regiments of provincial troops had remained behind to preserve order, and they will hand over to the incoming Communist troops.

COMMUNICATIONS

Telephone and telegraph services between Hongkong and Canton functioned normally this morning.

AIR SERVICES

Air services were suspended. A Civil Air Transport plane took off from Kai Tak for Canton on a reconnaissance flight at 9.53 a.m., and has not returned. It is not known if it has landed in Canton.

The White Cloud airfield in Canton was deserted early today. Personnel had all left, and there were no airfield guards to be seen.

TRAIN SERVICES

The 8.10 a.m. express for Canton left the Kowloon terminus this morning 10 minutes late, but the 9.30 express was cancelled because station authorities at Canton were unable to say whether it would be possible to run the afternoon trains from the city to Kowloon. Interlocking passengers on the cancelled train had their fares refunded.

The general manager of the British section of the railway, Mr I. B. Trevor, said that the two afternoon expresses from Kowloon would leave at 1 and when the section received definite information that the two afternoon trains from Canton would be running.

This information was expected at noon.

The two morning expresses from Canton left according to schedule, and should arrive here at 1 p.m. and 1.45 p.m. respectively.

STEAMERS HERE

The river steamers Wunsh and Wing Hing arrived in Hongkong this morning from Canton.

Passengers on Wunsh said on the way down river shots were fired at the ship passing Nan Shei Tow, but they did not know what Communists were responsible.

Passengers on Wing Hing said they arrived in Canton at 8 a.m. yesterday morning, and although they did not go ashore the waterfront scenes were not

seen.

JOURNALISTS ABOARD

Among passengers on Wunsh were British journalists Michael Davidson and Frank K. Robertson, American journalist William Durdin, French journalist P. Bizard, Dr G. A. Milne, and several foreign merchants, including a Turk, Mr Said Krikke.

Others were airline pilot Bruce E. Tingle, Mr Harry W. Arnold, and Miss H. Sawyer, a secretary.

Wunsh left Canton at 8.30 last night, and Wing Hing shortly after. Ships' officers said embarkation scenes were fairly normal, although there was some panic among Chinese, hastening to get aboard.

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seen.

CONFICTING REPORTS

Hongkong, Oct. 14.—Canton is quiet for the most part with the exception of looting in the exclusive residential district of Tungshan near the airport, but there is conflict in information at the White Cloud field itself.

One eyewitness—who was at the airfield no later than 6 p.m. on Thursday and who managed to get passage on the night boat, Wunsh, said in an interview with the United Press, after describing events while he was there for more than an hour: "Yes, you can say the Communists are around the airport at 6 p.m." But at 10 a.m. today, a phone report from a United Press source said the Communists were not yet inside the city.

proper and confirmed that top officials left Canton at 7 p.m. on Thursday.

The eyewitness said he talked to some Chinese on board ship and they said that Reds had occupied the airfield.

But a Chinese newspaper in Hongkong denied this, quoting a phone call from a staff worker in Canton at 9 a.m. today—United Press.

MOCH WANTS PEACE IN INDO-CHINA

Paris, Oct. 13.—The Premier-designate, M. Jules Moch, seeking approval from the French Assembly for his programme for a new Cabinet, said tonight that the Government must bring into force, before the deadline, agreements of last March guaranteeing the independence of Vietnam within the French Union.

Indo-China, where the French were in conflict with "mixed fighters of Vietnam", required particular attention, he said.

The next Government had the "imperious" mission of establishing peace or at least a truce which would spare precious blood, unpredictable sufferings and heavy outlays," M. Moch added.

Police reinforcements were on duty outside the National Assembly as M. Moch sought approval for his proposed programme.

Of the wages-prices problem and its relations to currency, M. Moch said that measures to raise wages would "lead to inflation, to ruin and to annihilation, France into

adventures."

"The best way to defend the interests of the least fortunate labouring masses consists not in raising their theoretical salaries but in maintaining and improving their purchasing power," M. Moch continued.

He promised that there would be "harsh strokes" in State expenditure. Economics would be achieved, he said, by structural reforms, especially in provincial administration, and decentralisation. Civil servants would have to work harder, he warned.

He added: "But there is one power which the Soviet Union fears and that is the United States. Therefore, America must lead the Western World and England and the Empire must be prepared to play second fiddle."—United Press.

HARSH SLASHES

In the course of his reference to international matters, M. Moch said that France would help to build Europe "not as a

balkanisation, but as a group of Powers but as the departure point of a peaceful and a greater confederation."—Reuter.

BULGARIANS ACCUSED

Belgrade, Oct. 13.—Marshal Josip Tito's Government today accused Bulgarian leaders of attempting to detach Yugoslavia's Macedonian province.

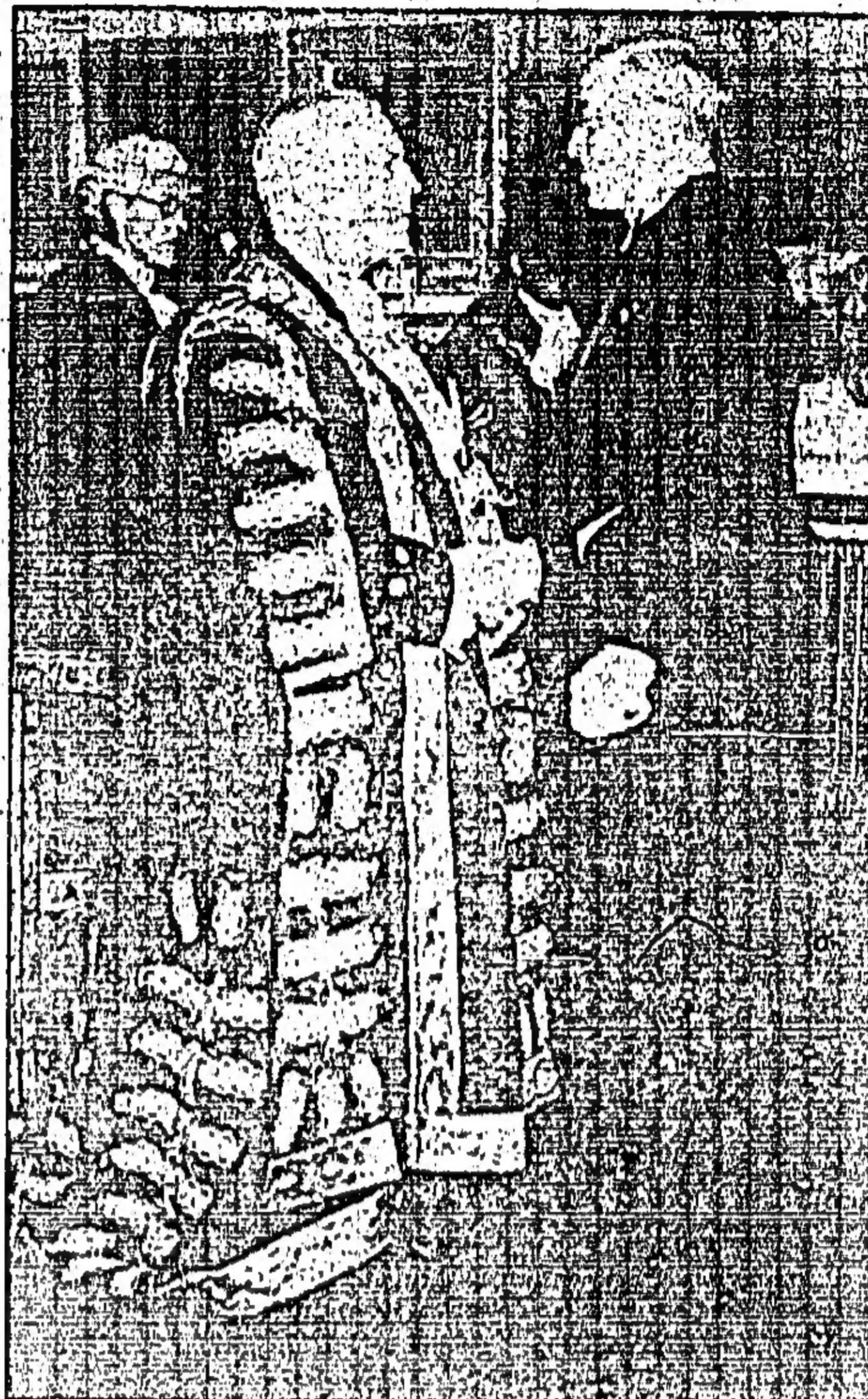
The charge was contained in a Yugoslav reply handed to the Bulgarian Legation here today to Bulgaria's action in denouncing the treaty of mutual aid and friendship between the two countries.—Reuter.

GERM WARFARE

Luksic, Oct. 13.—Dr Brock Chisholm, Director-General of the World Health Organisation, said today that

bacteriological weapons have

At Lord Mayor's Dinner



ACHESON, NEHRU EXCHANGE VIEWS

Washington, Oct. 1.—The State Department announced that the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, and the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, had a wide, general exchange of views during their 50-minute conference here today.

No joint communiqué was issued, but a State Department spokesman said after the meeting: "There was a general exchange of views on questions of common interest ranging over a broad field of topics."

"It was not the purpose of the meeting to reach decisions on any of these questions and none was reached."

The spokesman refused to give any specific details of the topics discussed and added: "I think you could characterise the meeting by saying that they merely explored each other's minds."

He added that the best indication of the subjects discussed was the members of the State Department who were present during the talk.

THOSE PRESENT

These were: Mr Roy Henderson, United States Ambassador to India; Mr Willard Thorp, Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs; Mr George McGhee, Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern and African Affairs; Dr Philip Jessup, Ambassador-at-Large and Director of Chinese policy; Mr George Kennan, Counsellor and Director of the Policy Planning Staff; and Mr Albert Matthews, Director of the Office of Southern Asian Affairs.

With Mr Nehru were the Indian Ambassador, Mr Vijaylakshmi Pandit, and Sir Jaya Shankar Bhup, Secretary-General of the Indian Ministry of External Affairs.

The Prime Minister and his party and Mr Acheson left the State Department immediately after the meeting and went to the White House for a conference with President Truman. Mr Nehru's meeting with Mr Acheson lasted just under an hour.—Reuter.

No Possibility Of Averting Another War

Melbourne, Oct. 13.—The Australian Chief of Staff, Lieut-General V. Sturdee, said today that there was no possibility of averting a third world war.

General Sturdee, who has just returned from a visit to Britain, said: "I see no possibility of a third world war being averted. It may not be for years, but it will come."

He said that Russia's possession of the atomic bomb probably makes very little difference.

He said: "Like the gas bomb, it might never be used. But the world now must prepare for atomic warfare the same way preparations were made for war in the recent war."

General Sturdee said: "Therefore for the armies, navies and air forces will continue to play a leading part in any future war. The atom bomb would wipe out cities and war factories, but it would be of little use against Russia's hordes of manpower."

He said life is considered an expendable commodity in Russia's aim of world domination.

He added: "But there is one power which the Soviet Union fears and that is the United States. Therefore, America must lead the Western World and England and the Empire must be prepared to play second fiddle."—United Press.

U.S. AIR COMMAND

Manila, Oct. 14.—The United States Army's Philippine Command will give way to the Philippine Air Command at a meeting at Clark Field, 15 miles north of Manila, tomorrow morning. American and Philippine military and civilian officials will be there.

Mr Gen. Howard Turner, commanding general of the 13th Air Force, will take over the Philippine Air Command. The Army's Philippine Command has been in a gradual process of liquidation for several months.—United Press.

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PICTORIAL NEWSFRONT



AS GOOD AS REAL—Mrs Itaye Donnelly Williams, upon winning a beauty contest in Colorado Springs, Colorado, sat on the lap of one of the judges. He is Chief White Horse of the Eatem Muchee Tribe. But his resemblance to reality ends right there because this chief is just another wooden Indian.



DAILY ROUTINE—Mrs Elizabeth Norton, 65, of New York, gives Thomas his daily 8:15 a.m. raw liver with pieces of sturgeon. Thomas, waf, waits every morning for these tidbits.



TAKE THEM OFF!—
Danny "Boy" Doran, right, of Ivesdale, Illinois, shows his contempt for the kills that Council Taylor wears upon their return to New York from Europe. Taylor was merely collecting a \$10 bet, but that made no difference to Danny.



IT'LL SAVE LOTS OF TIME—An automatic passenger-operated ticket vending machine, first of its kind to be used in New York City, will be placed in experimental operation soon. Grace Schaefer demonstrates operation of the change-making device.



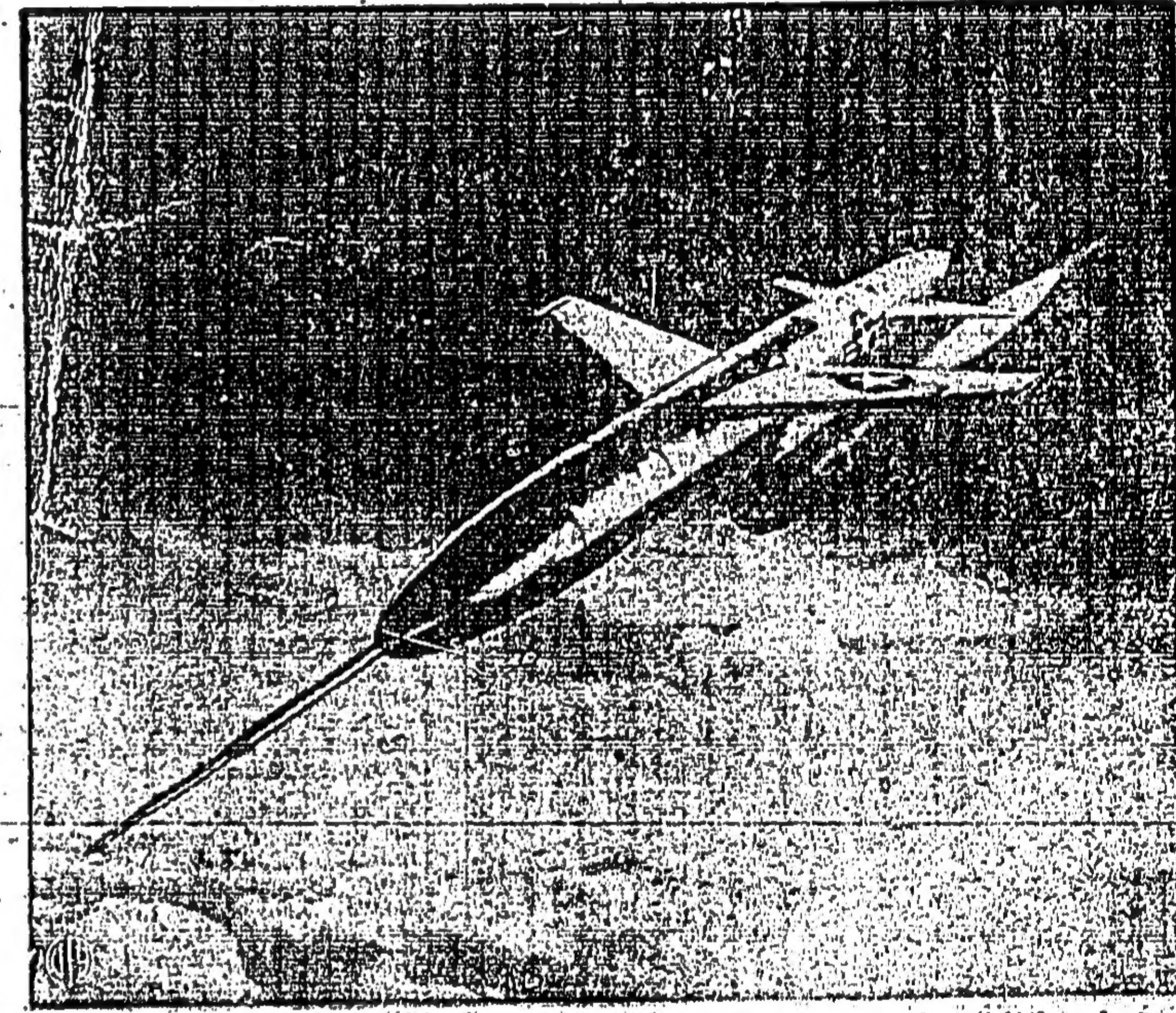
TRYING HIS HAND—Actor Henry Wilcoxon, whose paintings will be exhibited in Los Angeles this autumn, takes brushes and palette in hand on a nearby hill as Joan Woodbury falls into a pose.



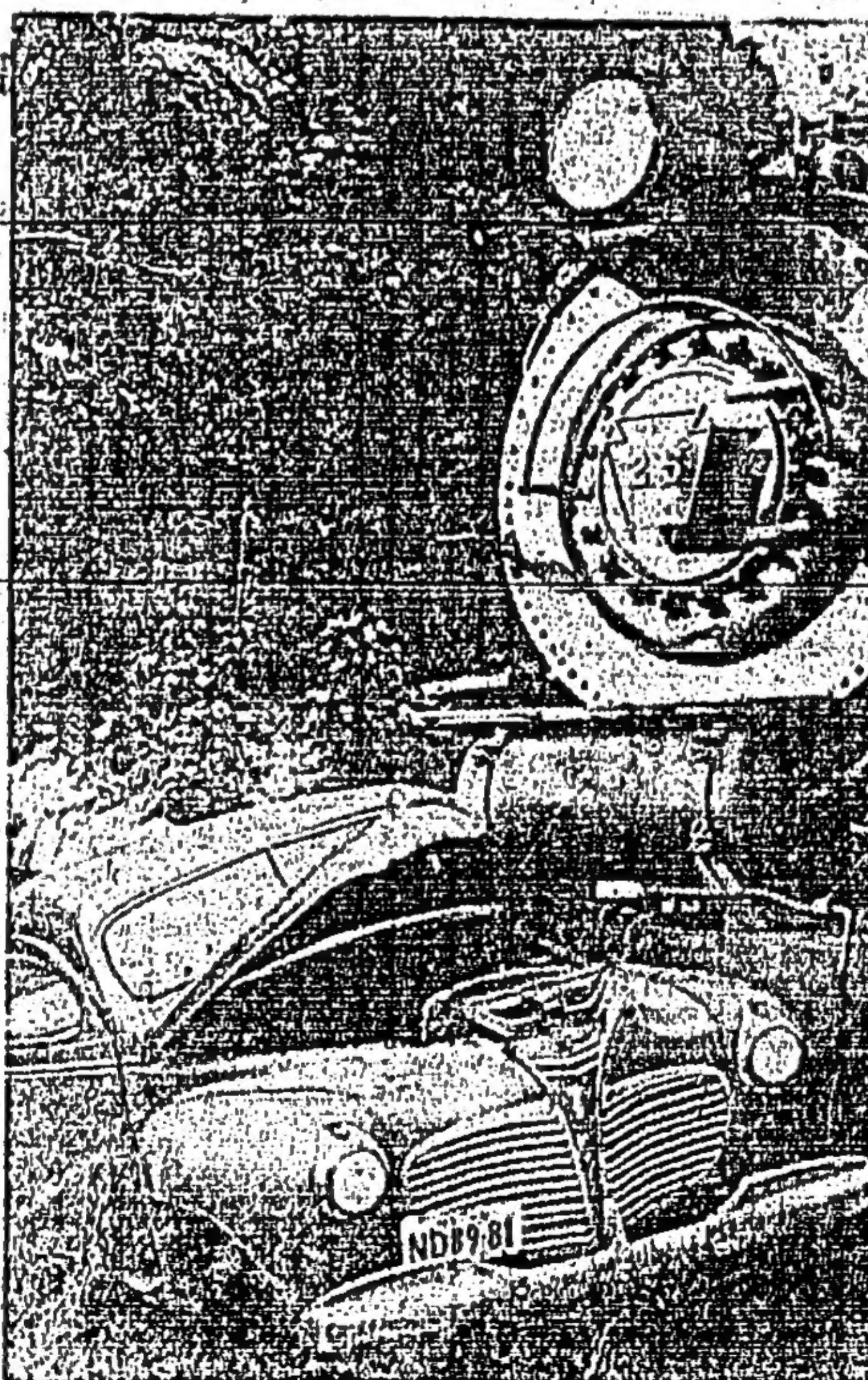
A MUST!—Jane Rederson, "Miss California of 1949," models an outfit in Berkeley, California, which she selected as a must for her college wardrobe. The skirt has an exaggerated kick-pleat and the coat is boxy and short.



FROM THE PHILIPPINES—The Rev. Francis Diono, S. J., left, greets Dr Genaro Vidal in New York. From the Philippines, Dr Vidal brought a statue of Our Lady Mary, Mediatrix of All Graces, a replica of the original in Lepa Batanga where the Virgin Mary is said to have made an appearance last year.



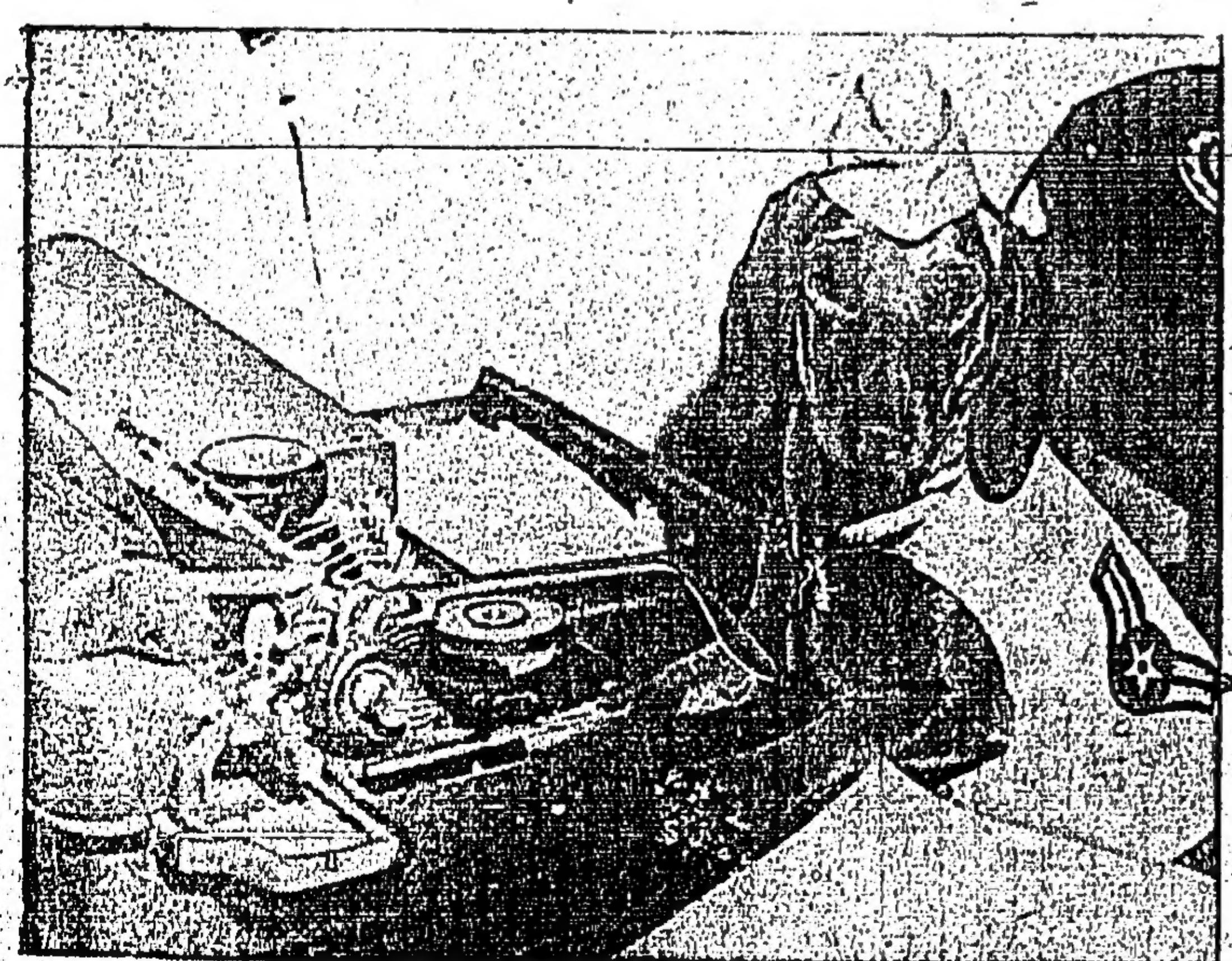
U.S. NAVY'S LATEST "SITTING DUCK"—No more slow-moving "sitting ducks" for the U.S. Navy anti-aircraft gunners. They'll sharpen their shooting eyes on the Martin KDM-1 (above), ultra-high-speed drone, as it flashes across the sky in keeping with latest aircraft design. The ram-jet engine, sometimes called the "stovepipe," has no moving parts. Its thrust depends on the difference in momentum between the entering air and the exhaust gases.



IN THE NICK OF TIME—When a L. I. R. R. train, westbound to New York City, hit this automobile near Hicksville, N. Y., the car was carried 1,000 feet. Two occupants of the car jumped out just in time to escape certain death.



WE'LL MEET AGAIN IN GAY PARIS—Seven-month-old Kurtis Green, right, bids goodbye to Ted Spicer, ten months, prior to leaving New York for Paris, France, to join his father. The two tots have been great friends, but the time had come to part and say farewell.



CHAIRBORNE—This is "Corporal Hank," dachshund mascot of San Francisco's 349th Troop Carrier Wing (Reserve), at Hamilton Air Force Base, California. Things haven't really gone to the dogs in that outfit, and this corporal doesn't use the typewriter, either, but he does give that impression.

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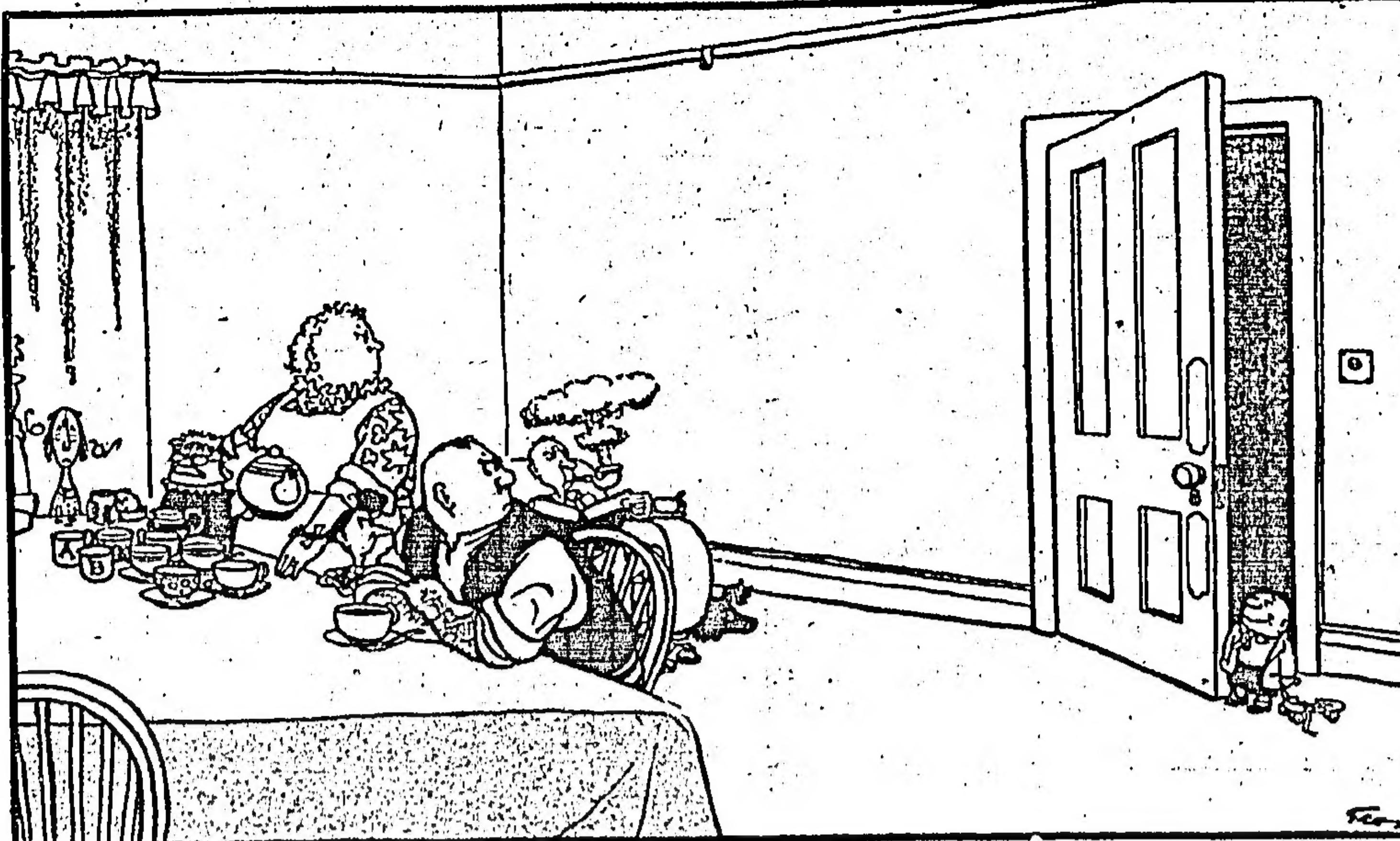
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COLUMBIA PICTURES



"I suppose you've all heard they're going to build a uranium factory at the end of our street."

London Express Service

WHO ARE BRITAIN'S GUILTY MEN?

By JOHN GORDON

WITH the disclosure that Russia has mastered the secret of the atom bomb, a momentous page of history turns. For the explosion changes the world.

Life as we have been shaping it since the day Germany fell in ruins must now be reshaped. And reshaped with urgency. For the perils that we had reckoned to belong to a distant future have become immediate and compelling.

Help from Germany

RUSSIA has succeeded in breaking the secret of the bomb much more swiftly than anyone expected. There have been two reasons for that:

1 THE aid given to her by German engineers, German scientists, and German technicians.

When Germany was at war she went a long distance toward preparing an atom bomb. Fortunately for us her scientists worked on the wrong lines.

But they accumulated an immense knowledge of the subject. That knowledge they have now put at the disposal of the Russians.

2 THE secrets gathered and passed on by the Communist Fifth Columns in Britain, Canada, and the United States. They have been ruthless and indefatigable in their service of the Kremlin.

In Britain Nunn May, one of our most able scientists, is in gaol for his part in the conspiracy.

In Canada a Government Commission of Inquiry disclosed a shocking state of affairs because Canada had failed to pull down the fifth.

In the United States we have seen men in positions of high authority put on trial charged with passing to Moscow top secrets straight out of the State Department.

That was the foundation on which the United States built the bomb.

The Americans agreed to share the secrets of the final stages with us as we had shared the initial secrets with them. But they have not carried out that agreement.

You may be sure that it is upon such men she still relies for the secrets of the future upon which our lives depend.

How does the discoverer affect Britain? Our position is particularly bad, because it was in Britain that the first vital work was done that gave atomic power to the world.

Although we did not produce the first bomb, it was in Britain that the bomb began.

Rutherford and his great collaborators at Cambridge were the first to go down the path into the unknown. They made the initial experiments. They broke the first secrets. And in the years immediately before the war they made great progress.

One name certainly should go down on the record. The name of Mr Ernest Bevin, for too many years Britain's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

When Mr Bevin assumed that office in the final months of the war Britain thanks to the great leadership of Churchill was the most respected and the most admired nation in the world.

She had not only saved herself, but down, had saved civilization.

In the records of his day there was nothing comparable with her tremendous achievement.

She had taken over the moral leadership of the world in spite of her overwhelming manpower and industrial power of the United States.

Surely upon those who in days of peril put vote-catching by doles and drags and the vision of a lush, easy life before the security of the nation upon which in the end all else depends.

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He turned the powerful Jews of America against us and made Russians, Indians, and Western Germans our bitter enemies, one after another.

And while he has gone blundering along the Russians were making the atom bomb.

admiration, a hatred more widespread than we have had to endure for many a generation.

He has antagonised almost every other nation. He has insulted them all, and one after another has turned his back on them.

This wonderful figure achieved the almost miraculous, in making us hated equally by both Arabs and Jews in Palestine.

He turned the powerful Jews of America against us and made Russians, Indians, and Western Germans our bitter enemies, one after another.

And while he has gone blundering along the Russians were making the atom bomb.

Sweep them from power

NO change, no diminution of the great danger that hangs over us is to be expected until Mr Bevin and the inept crew around him are swept from power, and new men more worthy of our confidence set in their places.

The danger will not pass until Britain has been restored once more to the leadership in scientific developments which in the grim days of war we so freely gave to the world.

Until we set ourselves again in that leadership the banners of Joshua are trailing in the mire.

—(London Express Service)

America overflows with food because of the big price muddle

FOR SALE: A CAVE OF EGGS

Potatoes, too, are piling up as farmers cash in

From FREDERICK COOK: New York.

UNCLE Sam has just had it drawn to his attention that he has somehow become the reluctant proprietor of enough potatoes from Long Island to last every family in the New York metropolitan area for 17 weeks.

And he has enough millions of pounds of dried eggs to keep the whole country going for years to come.

What enraged Uncle Sam in the grocery business, and in what is getting him more and more deeply involved every day, is the Government's farm programme, now developing into a major political problem for the Truman administration.

The forgotten men. The farm programme's purpose is the exact opposite of the policy being pursued by Britain's Socialist planners.

While Whitehall doles out subsidies to hold food prices down, Washington doles them out to hold food prices up.

Realisation is now spreading among the forgotten men—the

consumers—of how much cheap

er food might be could Washington afford to let the farm vote, is a threatening sign

for the Democrats looking

toward the next election.

Price support programmes in this country began in the 30's when farming was a "depressed" industry. Their purpose was to ensure for six basic crops prices which would not fall lower than a percentage of the general price level for other goods.

The original six have since

been expanded until today

almost everything raised on the

land is firmly supported by a

price floor.

Too far

Among the few voices raised

against the policy of most

favoured-citizen treatment for

among the forgotten men—the

body does.

Still it grows

He powders the eggs by

hundreds of thousands all

over America, including a huge

cave in the Middle West, and

waits for someone to buy. No

body does.

When there's bif

I needn't use my fist!

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The Mecca Of Model-Makers

By PETER LOVEGROVE

ADIO-controlled DUKW "Golden Hind", "Endeavour" and "Mayflower", and ships in bottles—(including one in an electric light bulb)—all exquisitely finished—a Nile boat of 3,000 years ago, an Irawaddy paddy boat, a Fijian war canoe, an Indian canoe, a Spanish carack, and an Elizabethan galley made entirely of match sticks, some 5,750 being used in its construction, which occupied six years of Sergeant G. R. Day's leisure hours.

A Ex-Service entry was that of Mr V. E. Blyth of Ilford, who was responsible for a one-inch scale edition of the ever-popular LMS locomotive "Princess Royal". It is "big job" as the overall length is 3 1/4 cwt.

Began in 1941, when Blyth was serving in the Royal Air Force. It was completed this year—taking about 2,000 hours in all.

Among the smallest exhibits was a fully rigged vessel—its sails made of cigarette paper and the rigging of split human hairs—sitting comfortably on a silver threepenny piece.

But the emphasis in modelling today is beginning to shift. Model Matilda Tanks, REA and Alfa-Romeo racing cars are coming to the fore, and though Blériot monoplanes and 1911 biplanes are not extinct, it is the Bristol Beaufighters, the Hawker Sea-Furies, the Bimbaron II, and the Sunderland which are attracting the attention of those patient and persevering enthusiasts.

EVEN a jet-plane, weighing 2 1/4 lbs, has now made its appearance. It is the work of Mr T. A. Wilson of New Malden, Surrey, and can achieve a speed of 70 mph.

Amateur models, in fact, are becoming far more than graceful and painstaking reproductions of the past, and their value is more than recreational.

They are true precision instruments playing an important part in engineering and scientific development.

There are few manufacturing concerns today which have not in some degree, either directly or indirectly, depended on models for much of their success.

Shipbuilding, architecture and aircraft production are but three activities in which they are indispensable.

SIR Frederick Handley-Page, when stressing the great value of models, pointed out that every machine used in the Battle of Britain was designed from a model.

And in the Second World War, these amateur engineers proved a valuable source of skilled craftsmen, there was the usual assortment of "Cutty Sark's",

farmers have been those of the hand 64,000,000 lbs of dried Democratic leader in the Senate, Senator Lucas, and the leader in the House Representative McCormack.

Senator Lucas stated, "Price support has gone too far. People will become so bitter that we shall break the whole farm programme down."

Representative McCormack warned, "Price support will destroy the whole farm programme and bring about a general disregard for government control."

Eggs and potatoes are prime examples of how government interference in production, buying and selling, have worked out in this country.

Biggest buyer of eggs in the Produce and Marketing Administration have bought with the taxpayers' money \$68,000,000. Government officials, allowing for 13,000,000 people in the New York area and four to a family, estimate that (assuming consumption of 10 lbs. per family per week) this will keep New Yorkers going for slightly more than 17 weeks.

For these potatoes, Uncle Sam paid farmers about 2 1/2 cents a pound. Prices in the grocer's in New York today, around 6 cents a pound.

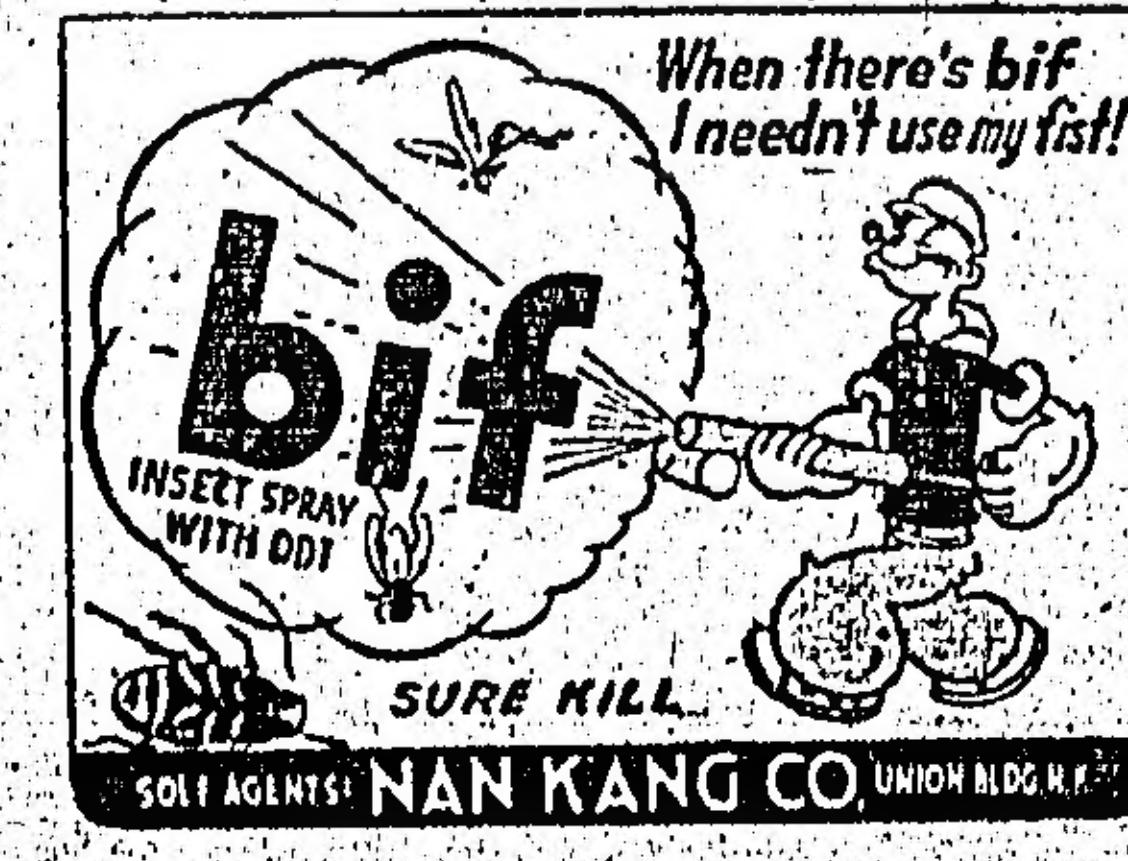
—(London Express Service)

NANCY

Set for the Touchdown



By ERNIE RUSHMILLER



Grants To Marshall Plan Nations To Be Cut

TO CREATE \$150m. RESERVE FUND

Paris, Oct. 13.—Total allocations to the 19 Marshall Plan nations will be reduced by 4.385 percent to create a \$150,000,000 reserve fund, M. Robert Marjolin, Secretary-General of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation announced today.

Establishment of the fund followed an Economic Co-operation Administration request in a letter to the OEEC last week-end.

Aid To West Germany Will Continue

Frankfurt, Oct. 13.—Mr John J. McCloy, the United States High Commissioner in Germany, declared in a recorded broadcast to the United States tonight that "material outside assistance, already vast, will continue to be provided to West Germany for some time to come."

He said that the West German Government, "the youngest on the continent," was faced with "enormous and unprecedented problems."

"It must govern a divided country, its powers and prerogatives are circumscribed. It can only gradually assume the legislative, judicial and executive powers which have been assigned to it," he added.

"It must pay and work its way out of deficit economy. It must provide housing for millions. It must square the problem of eight to 10 million refugees from many Eastern lands who have crowded within its already overpopulated territory."—Reuter.

ATTLEE TO APPEAL

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and that the test will come in November."

From this it looks as if today's development may come as a considerable shock to the Party's left wing elements.

Two certain consequences of the Prime Minister's action will be the nationalisation of iron and steel within the lifetime of the present Parliament and the passing of the Parliament Act cutting the House of Lords' powers of delaying legislation. Authoritative quarters tonight indicated that beyond deciding that the election will be next year the Prime Minister has fixed no date.

Speculative reports have already suggested dates in March and May.

The British Communist Party, a communiqué tonight, said at the Government announced, "made immediately after Mr Bovis' return from America, shows that American big business insists on the Labour government carrying through immediately the offensive of the living conditions of British workers."—Reuter.

IDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You and Dad were wondering how much you could get for the house, so I thought the sign would be a good way to find out!"

Dutch Troops Withdraw In Indonesia

Evacuating Area Near Jogjakarta

Batavia, Oct. 13.—The Dutch Army today began withdrawing from territory north and north-west of the Republican capital of Jogjakarta, an Army communiqué announced.

The area being evacuated was occupied by the Dutch in their second "police action" last December.

Republican regulars and guerrillas, including Communists, have been active in the 625-square-mile area for months. Informants suggest that this evacuation is the first stage of big-scale withdrawal in the next three months, probably including the Taskin area of West Java, where fanatical Darul Islam guerrillas are fighting both the Dutch and the Republicans.

Darul Islam manifesto, urging Moslems throughout the islands to join a revolution to establish a God-fearing Islamic State, were posted publicly today for the first time in Batavia.

Silent crowds gathered outside one of the city's largest mosques to read them.

ORTHODOX STATE

The manifesto, which proclaimed all Indonesia a "strictly orthodox State," were signed by the Imam Kartosuwirjo, leader of the Darul Islam group.

Kartosuwirjo, was yesterday described by the Republican Foreign Minister, Hadi Agus Salim, as "mediocre."

Kartosuwirjo is estimated to have 10,000 followers in West Java.

The areas from which the Dutch troops are withdrawing include the south coast town of Pati and the inland towns of Wonosobo and Ponorogo.

URGENT MISSION

Military observers said that Dutch outposts and forward patrols began to pull back several days ago, but the main movement of Dutch troops from the north started today. The Dutch are still in force at vital communications centres in East and Central Java, such as Magelang and Sematani.

Indonesian political circles stated that the evacuated areas would immediately be occupied by Republican troops.

Frequent clashes have been reported recently between Dutch troops and guerrillas in the Sematani and Magelang areas.

Senior United Nations military observers flew to the areas yesterday on what was described as "an urgent mission."—Reuter.

STILL NEED FOR RICE IMPORTS

Batavia, Oct. 13.—For several years now Indonesia will still have to import rice from abroad to supplement its home production.

This gloomy forecast was made by Mr H. A. Vogel, Secretary-General of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, in a press conference today before he returned to San Francisco.

Mr Vogel attended the recent FAO Conference in Singapore. He admitted, however, that high rice production was being achieved in Indonesia, but believed that revolutionary growing methods were needed to bridge the gap between production and consumption.

The Secretary-General revealed that Asia and Europe were the only parts of the world where rice production was still below pre-war levels.

Asia's 1948-49 production represented 94 percent of that of 1934-35. He added that "a neglect of the land for war, political unrest and the concentration of population" were to blame.

DELEGATES RETURN

Batavia, Oct. 13.—Susuhunan of Solo and Dr Sukiman, Chairman of the Indonesian Moslem Party, the Marjani, are expected here today from Holland. Both attended the round-table talks on Indonesia at The Hague. Susuhunan's return was reported to be connected with the return to the Republic of Indonesia of the Solo Residency.—Reuter.

Diplomat Charged With Smuggling

Stockholm, Oct. 13.—The Malmo police, today charged Araneo Alshin, of the Cuban legation in Oslo with smuggling 1,000,000 American cigarettes into Sweden from Denmark in a diplomatic bag.

Alshin was arrested last month and accused of smuggling 12,000 nylon stockings into Sweden in the same way. He claimed diplomatic immunity, but was placed under house arrest.—Reuter.

TWINS MARRY TWINS IN FRANCE



The twin Philippe brothers of Paris, Michel and Gilbert, 22, pose with their twin brides, Therese and Claire Bonte, 24, after their marriage at Lambermont, France. — AP Picture.

West Berlin Not To Join Republic

Britain, U.S. Still Oppose Proposal

London, Oct. 13.—British officials tonight discounted reports from Bonn today that Britain and the United States had dropped their objections to including Western Berlin in the Federal Republic of West Germany.

The reports from Bonn quoted a senior American official as saying that the British and American Governments had dropped their objections as a result of the setting up of an East German Government.

The reports said that negotiations on the subject were "proceeding well" with the French, and that West Berlin's inclusion in the West German Federal Government was likely to be approved by the Allied High Commissioners "in the near future."

In London it is thought that some compromise might well be reached at Bonn tomorrow when the three Allied High Commissioners meet Dr Konrad Adenauer, the German Chancellor.

Such a compromise, observers here believe, would strengthen the form of Berlin representation without giving Western Berlin the status of a 12th "Land" (State).

NOT POSSIBLE

There is no evidence available here that Britain wishes for the time being to revoke the suspension of Article 23 of the basic law of the Federal Republic, which proposes the incorporation of Western Berlin as the 12th "Land."

The main argument for upholding the suspension of this article is that in the special situation of a divided Berlin the British do not consider it possible for the Western occupying powers to relinquish their rights of control to the same extent as they have done in the Western Zone proper.

At the same time there are numerous signs that the policy of the three Western occupying powers, now that a Communist Government in Eastern Germany has been established, is moving towards some modification of the status of the Western sector of Berlin.—Reuter.

TO IGNORE EAST GERMAN GOVT

Berlin, Oct. 13.—The West German Federal Government will not establish contact with the new East German Government, but will completely ignore its existence, the West German Minister for all German Affairs, Herr Jakob Kaiser, told a press conference here today.

"I want to make it quite clear that we do not intend to negotiate with an un-elected anti-Communist-dominated government," he declared.

He reaffirmed "Berlin's adherence to the West German Federal Government," the Buergeramt (Upper Chamber) of the West German Federal Republic would hold its next meetings in Western Berlin, he announced.

Berlin would receive "all material and moral assistance" which Western Germany was able to give, Herr Kaiser said.

The demand for the inclusion of Western Berlin in the West German Federal Republic would be repeated "over and over again," he added.

Earlier today, Herr Kaiser addressed the West Berlin City Assembly, of which he is a member.

Handing back his mandate to the Chairman, he said that he had left his post in Berlin only because he hoped to be able to help the city and the Soviet zone more effectively as a West German Minister.—Reuter.

EUROPE FACES "A RETURN TO PEASANTRY"

FAO MEETING'S WARNING

Rome, Oct. 13.—Europe faces a return to peasantry unless it can sell its industrial goods abroad, an 11-nation meeting of European food experts agreed today.

The experts have prepared an urgent appeal to the rest of the world to buy Europe's products, so that Europe could in turn buy food for its undernourished peoples.

The appeal is being drafted in Rome by a regional meeting of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) for presentation to its fifth world conference in Washington next month.

Mr Lewis Maire, of Switzerland, President of the meeting, told a reporter that unless Europe could sell its industrial goods it faced a "desperate alternative" return to a sort of agricultural self-sufficiency."

He said that the regional meeting's report to the FAO world conference would underline "this number one problem of today."

Delegates from Britain, Australia, Belgium, Finland, France, Greece, Italy, Norway, the Netherlands, Switzerland and Yugoslavia are attending the five-day meeting which began yesterday in the FAO's European headquarters in Rome.—Associated Press.

Danger Of Red Rule In Burma

London, Oct. 13.—The Burmese Government's delay in taking practical measures to attract British commercial and governmental support will result in a Communist domination of Burma, the Financial Times said in an editorial today.

Commenting on a speech made yesterday by Mr W. J. C. Richards, of the Consolidated Tin Mines of Burma, the Financial Times said it was difficult to disagree with his contention that capital investment should await the restoration of law and order in Burma.

It said: "The other side of the argument is that undue delay and hesitation might prove fatal. Support from Britain in both governmental and commercial, might well be a factor in the fight against insurgent elements which can often be identified with Communist leaders."

The editorial said the British Government had given Burma every opportunity of providing fair play for overseas investors.

It said: "They must now take their opportunity, otherwise they will have to face economic isolation and the almost inevitable corollary of Communist domination."—United Press.

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Colony Swimming Championships

MORE DISAPPOINTMENTS IN YESTERDAY'S EVENTS

By "RECODER"

The Colony Swimming Championships, they have produced a half-dozen new records, at the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday when some of our local star performers were again non-starters in the evening's finals and the race of the evening—the 200 Yards Free Style Relay—was spoiled by over-eager starting.

Chinese YMCA, anchored by Ng Nin, won a thrill-packed Relay final with three anchor men touching practically together only to be disqualified as their second leg, Choy Lee-hang, had jumped in too soon.

Most of the spectators thought that William Teo of Eastern had touched ahead of VRC's anchor, George Saunders, but Saunders was awarded first place.

Watching from the top verandah, it seems to be that the Eastern swimmer was first and many others shared this view. However, those who were down-stair with a good view of the finish said that Saunders, with his longer hand, had reached out and touched first while Teo, about a head in front had reached out and found himself a fraction short.

Race officials were hurried to blame for disqualifying it as Chinese YMCA, but it was a noticeable fact that some six to eight of the dozen swimmers in the leading three teams had jumped in before the preceding leg had touched.

POINT OF VIEW
Demonstrative perhaps of a local viewpoint, quite a few in

Scores In Tournament

Tennis

Following were the results of matches played at LRC yesterday:

Club Ladies Doubles—Mrs. Shipton and Mrs. Kite beat Mrs. Schools and Mrs. C. L. Smith 6-2, 10-8.

Handicap Ladies Doubles—Mrs. Stretton and Mrs. Alexander beat Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Tamworth 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

Handicap Ladies Singles—Mrs. Hutchinson beat Mrs. Ayres 6-2, 4-3.

Club Mixed Doubles—Mrs. Heenan and Mrs. Kite beat G. L. Baker and W. A. E. Thorpe 6-1, 6-2.

Handicap Mixed Doubles—Mrs. G. L. Baker and W. A. E. Thorpe beat Mrs. M. G. Goffield and Mrs. M. Goffield 6-0, 6-0.

Handicap Mixed Singles—Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Harrison 6-4, 6-4.

W. P. Womery and Mrs. Jones beat J. D. Kite and Mrs. Allen 6-4, 6-4.

Handicap Men's Doubles—C. Blott and B. Dakin beat W. A. E. Baker and W. A. E. Thorpe 6-4, 6-4.

Handicap Men's Singles—B. Dakin beat Mrs. C. L. Smith 6-1, 6-1.

Today's Matches—

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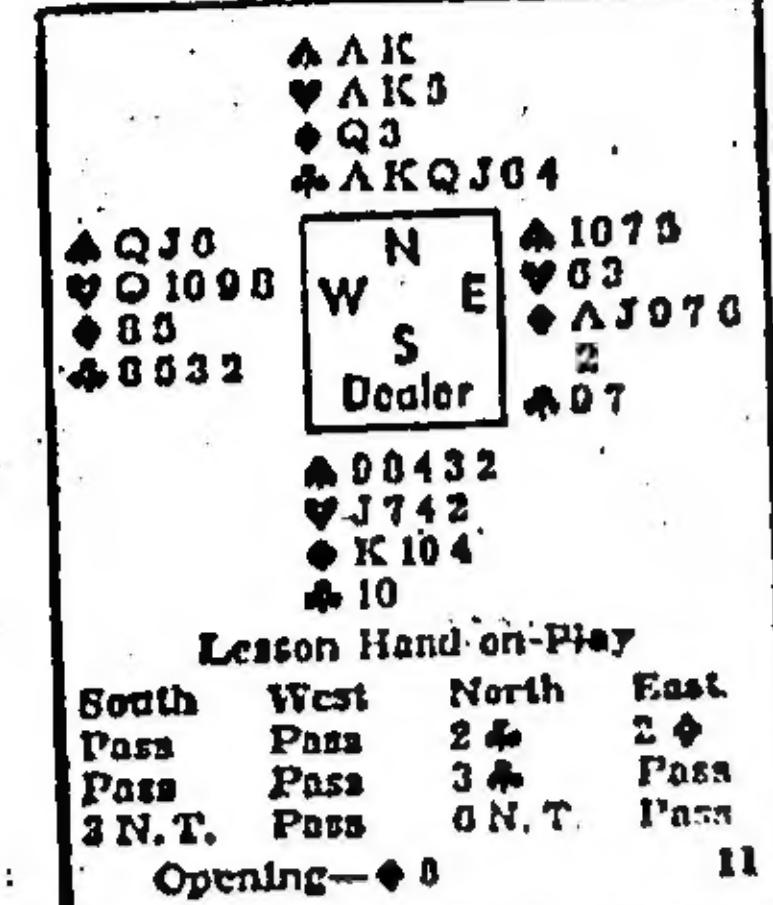
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FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

LESSON HAND

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Opening Lead Play Is Important Here



BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

I AM not going to try to justify North's bid of six no trump on today's hand. I can only explain that North had been losing all evening and this probably was the last rubber of the evening. He was afraid that West might be void of diamonds, and that the hand was safer at no trump.

After all East had dared to risk a two-diamond bid over his two demand bid. South had shown strength in diamonds by bidding three no trump rather than three in a null and North felt quite confident that he had either the ace or king of diamonds to justify the three no trump bid.

However, it is the play that we want to discuss today. When West opened the eight of diamonds, what would you play from dummy? Suppose that declarer elects to play the three-spot. East, of course, will win the trick with the ace, and now what should he return? If you analyse it, you will find that East should return a club. If South has the ten and a small club, there is no way to defeat the contract. East must attempt to lock the declarer in dummy, also hope that West has three hearts to the queen.

Let us go back to the dealer's angle. Did he make the correct play when he put on the three-spot from dummy? He did not. Do not forget that East overcalled in diamonds and West opened the eight-spot. This combination clearly marks East with the ace and jack of diamonds.

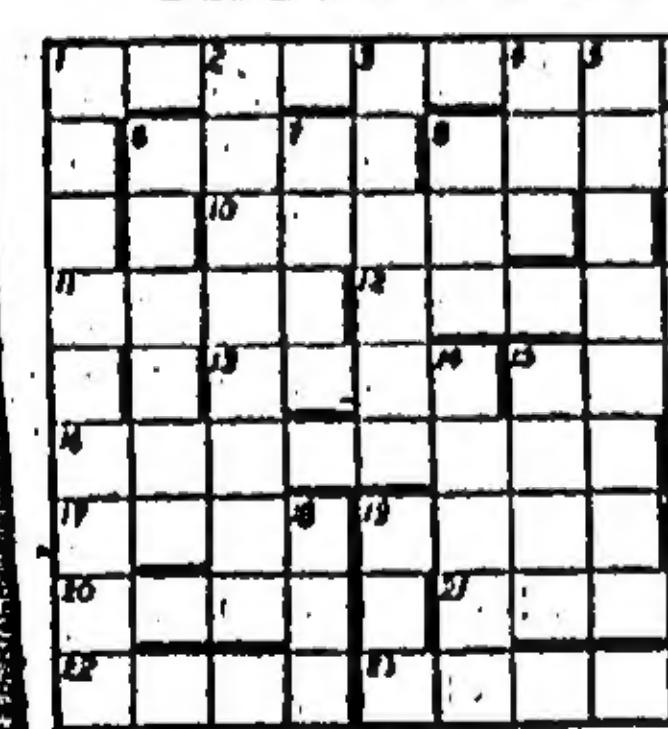
Therefore, the queen should have been played from dummy to trick one. Now, regardless of what East does, the contract will be made. Suppose East goes up with the ace and returns a club. Declarer will win it, go over to the spade king, lead the three of diamonds and finesse the ten spot, discarding the five of hearts on the king of diamonds.

Check Your Knowledge

- What is the real name of Mark Twain?
- On what island is the famous volcano Mount Peice located?
- When Greenwich is 12 Noon, what time is it in Cairo?
- Name a solid that has only one face.
- Who invented the reaper?
- What national emblem was the Elfreud-Lis superceded? When?

(Answers in Column 2.)

CROSSWORD



- Find the character with the hot dog soap slogan (10).
- Festive beginning-to-a-star assembly perhaps (4).
- Aspirin (10).
- With circumstanced (14). See 6 Down.
- Middle East (10).
- Was a grime (5).
- This possession is cumbersome (16).
- Alpha, the sacred river, ran down (10).
- Young male bird has a broken reel more than his father (8).
- Seems to be our responsibility (10).
- Amphibious carnivorous 'signet' (4).
- You do not necessarily have to be this (4).
- Right hand marine board (4).
- Literary midshipman (4).
- Bomber, be aware (the Pilot) (10).

Down

- Rope epic in the submarine (9).
- Syrian city with strong Pauline associations (10).
- 4 and 10 Across. Guildhall giants (13, 11).
- For chlorine protection (10).
- Leaf for a change (4).
- Writer is almost in verse—only thoughts end on it (10).
- Kung-fu Khan, doctored a stately domo (8).
- Daisy-like (4).
- New Member takes (14).
- Vermilion look (8).
- Attack on it (8).

Answer of yesterday's puzzle—Across: 1. A. 2. B. 3. C. 4. D. 5. E. 6. F. 7. G. 8. H. 9. I. 10. J. 11. K. 12. L. 13. M. 14. N. 15. O. 16. P. 17. Q. 18. R. 19. S. 20. T. 21. U. 22. V. 23. W. 24. X. 25. Y. 26. Z. Down: 1. A. 2. B. 3. C. 4. D. 5. E. 6. F. 7. G. 8. H. 9. I. 10. J. 11. K. 12. L. 13. M. 14. N. 15. O. 16. P. 17. Q. 18. R. 19. S. 20. T. 21. U. 22. V. 23. W. 24. X. 25. Y. 26. Z.

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UNUSUAL ANGLES

BE-BOP "POISONS" REDS
BUT THEY LIKE IT

"BE-BOP" has become a session organised by the "Hot Club of Berlin," cold war, and to judge by the cold-weather cries of the Communist press, it is an effective one.

"It is lamentable that this jazz-screching, which has nothing to do with music, is poisoning our youth," said the German Communist Party organ, Neues Deutschland, in an editorial.

The paper claimed American jazz is being imported into Germany by the evil, calculating forces behind the Marshall Plan to "deaden the minds of the masses."

Swing music seems to be one import, however, which the Germans are quite willing to pay for themselves. At least that was the clear indication given by some 900 young fans who packed the old old Taberna Academica for a jam session.

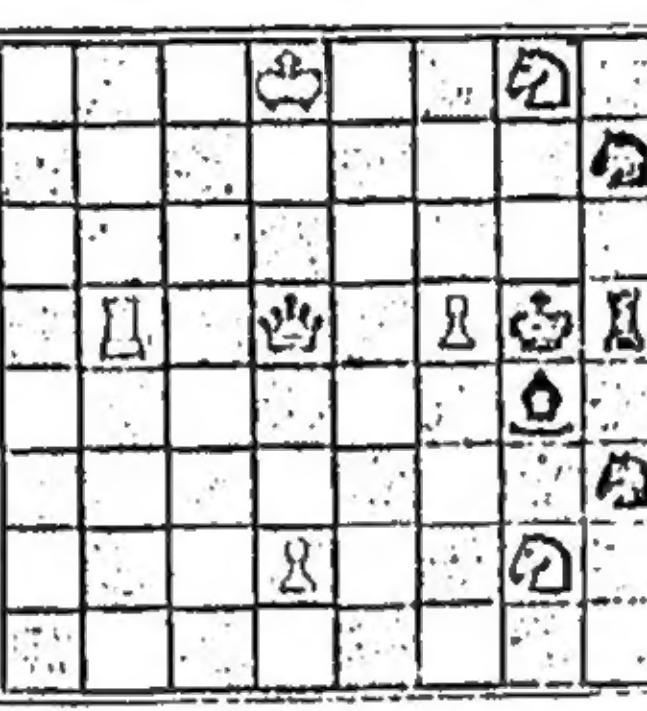
They belonged to two reporters from Soviet-controlled Radio Berlin, who were among the radio men sent to the jam session, wringing expressions of diplomatic superiority to give the East sector readers and listeners the straight dope on Western decadence.

Their faces lost their scowl after the first few numbers, and both men started tapping their heels on "Oop-Pappa-Doll."

CHESS PROBLEM

By F. BARRON

Black, 5 pieces.



The grasshopper sat holding his head.

It happened. I know when he started to get worried. It was right after he met an ant.

"Aunt?" said Willy. "Whose Aunt?"

"Nobody's Aunt," said Chirp. "Just an ant. There she is now—coming out of that hole on the other side of the twigs."

They all hurried over to the ant who stopped and said in a very sharp, very busy voice: "Yes, what do you want?"

Blackie, who knew how to speak to ants (which isn't at all easy to do), asked her what she and Hop-a-Long had talked about that made Hop-a-Long so worried.

"Talked about? We just talked about dancing and singing," replied the ant.

"But—but that's nothing to get Hop-a-Long worried about," said Handi.

"Good-morning, Hop-a-Long," said Handi. "We'd come to find out what's wrong with you."

But Hop-a-Long didn't answer.

"You see," said Willy. "He's worried."

Bit Of Moss

Nevertheless they went down to the pond where Hop-a-Long was sitting on a bit of moss under a large tree. Just as Willy and Blackie had said, he was sitting very quietly, with his head hung down and didn't even move when they all stood in front of him.

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But Hop-a-Long didn't answer.

"You see," said Willy. "He's worried."

Just at this moment Chirp came flying down from one of the trees. "Morning everybody!" he said cheerfully.

"We don't know what's the matter with Hop-a-Long," said Handi. "After they had all returned Chirp's greeting.

"He won't talk," said Willy. "How can you find out what's the matter with anybody if he won't talk?"

Chirp said: "I don't know what's the matter with him either. But I know just when Hop-a-Long stopped worrying.

Rupert at Rocky Bay—4



Mr. Bear hits Rutilus on to the seat. "Oh, please don't scold," says the little mouse. "I love watching trains, and I've often wondered what is at the other end of the line. They all get out and, finding themselves isolated in a great crowd, poor Rutilus looks more frightened than ever and keeps close to Rupert." "So you've all rights reserved."



INTEREST, A PATROLING RANGER

EXPOSED TO THE STORM

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US Tractors

Wellington, Oct. 13.—Mr. Walter Nash, the New Zealand Finance Minister, today announced a Government proposal to import 440 medium and heavy agricultural tractors with spare parts, from the United States in the first half of next year at an estimated cost of \$3,500,000.

During the same period, it was proposed to import \$160,000 worth of American grading machines, he added.—Reuter.

NY RUBBER
FUTURES
MARKET

New York, Oct. 13.—News that the Government would consider crude rubber purchases for the stockpile did not influence the market here today.

After a firm opening, prices gradually whitened away when it was indicated that the Government's low price ideas had resulted in disappointingly small purchases.

Meanwhile dealers who bought quantities in the spot market over the holiday were trying to get off their market positions squared against unsold stocks.

The factors, meanwhile, were not affected by the excitement generated in the spot market after Tuesday's close.

Prices closed 10 points lower to 10 points higher on sales to 100 contracts, as follow:

October (in cents per lb.)	16.10 nominal
November	15.90
December (1950)	15.84 nominal
January (1951)	15.70
February	15.60 bid.
March	15.60 nominal
April	15.60 nominal
May	15.60 nominal
June	15.60 nominal
July	15.60 nominal
August	15.60 nominal
September	15.60 nominal
October	15.60 nominal
November	15.60 nominal
December	15.60 nominal
January (1951)	15.60 nominal
February	15.60 nominal
March (1951)	15.60 nominal
April/June	15.60 nominal
May/June	15.60 nominal
June/July	15.60 nominal
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End Of Grain Race



The four-masted barque, Pamir, arrives at Falmouth, England, carrying a cargo of 4,200 tons of grain after a stormy voyage of 127 days from Australia. (AP Picture).

FASTER EXPRESS TRAIN SERVICES FOR EUROPE

Brighton, Oct. 13.—Faster and more convenient express train services across Europe were announced by railway chiefs from 20 nations here tonight. There will be more through coaches and speedier international connections, but few additional trains because Europe is still short of rolling stock as a result of the war.

The results of the eighth-day European Railway Time Table Conference were revealed at a press conference here today.

One of the biggest improvements is a 21-hour cut in the travelling time between London and Istanbul by the Simplon Orient Express. From next May, when European summer time tables take effect, this journey can be made in 84 hours, against the 100 hours it takes today. But this is still 12 hours more than the prewar time for the 2,178-mile trip.

The travel time from Paris to Belgrade on the Simplon

SHIRLEY TO DIVORCE HUSBAND

Hollywood, Oct. 13.—Shirley Temple, dimpled baby star who grew up into a glamour girl, said today that she had decided to divorce her husband, actor John Agar, after "crying about it for the last two weeks."

Her counsel, George Stahlman, said a suit probably would be filed later today under the standard movie colony charge of "mental cruelty".

"I am so confused and unhappy," said Shirley. "I don't know whether it's Jack's fault or mine. All I know is there is no possible chance of reconciliation."

Miss Temple, who was a 17-year-old bride four years ago in one of the town's fanciest Valentine-style weddings, said the cause of the break-up was "strictly a personal thing between Jack and me."

"I do not want to discuss it," she added. "But I would not call our marriage a 'Hollywood' marriage. There is something that happens to lots of people. It would have happened to us if we had been living any place. Hollywood has nothing to do with it. We both tried very hard, but it wouldn't work."

Shirley added that she hoped everybody would not make too much fun. "I would like to keep this as dignified and quiet as possible," she said. United Press.

Compromise Sought To End Indonesian Debt Deadlock

The Hague, Oct. 13.—Dutch and Indonesian negotiators were today studying three compromise proposals to solve the Indonesian national debt deadlock, reported to be delaying progress in the round-table conference here on the future of Indonesia.

PRESSURE ON CATHOLIC CLERGY

Prague, Oct. 13.—Authoritative Church sources estimated today that about 300 Catholic priests had so far been arrested in Czechoslovakia for their opposition to the State's new Church law.

The latest reports from various districts showed that priests marked down as "inevitably reactionary" were being seized and committed to "corrective labour" camps.

Private but first-hand sources at the same time reported incidents indicating that considerable pressure was being brought to bear on the Catholic clergy to persuade them to acquiesce in the Government's plans.

These reports said that priests were being threatened with restitution. Arrests were continuing and violence was being used in some cases, these reports asserted.

The new Church measures proposed by the State included the establishment of a Department of State to administer Church affairs. This will have control of all Church property.

All priests will become civil servants to be paid at improved rates, only if they are judged acceptable to the regime.

The new Minister will be empowered to fill vacant parishes; he can dismiss unwanted priests and install clergymen regarded as reliable.

The new laws are due to become effective on November 1 when the Archbishops and Bishops themselves will become legally dependent on the Government for their appointments and their incomes.—Reuter.

VANDERBILT HEIRESS REMARRIES

London, Oct. 13.—Cornelia Vanderbilt, once called the world's richest bride, became a bride a second time yesterday.

A speed-up of the Arlberg Orient Express by one hour in each direction between Paris and Vienna.

A speed-up of the Scandinavia Switzerland-Italy Express by more than two hours in each direction between Milan and Rome.

SECOND CONNECTION

A second connection between Scandinavia and Italy, with through coaches from Copenhagen to Venice, is introduced. The service for departure from Copenhagen in the evenings and arrival in Milan at about one o'clock in the afternoon on the third day.

The day service between Amsterdam and Basel will be considerably accelerated. New through services have been arranged for the 1950 Holy Year celebrations to link Belgium and Holland with Rome.

The travelling time between Paris and Rome has been cut to less than 23 hours by speeding up the express service via Modane. The Ostend-Prague and Ostend-Vienna sections of the Orient Express have been speeded up by three hours through a reorganisation of customs and Belgian frontier control.

The Orient Express will now convey third-class coaches along its entire route.—Reuter.

MISS VANDERBILT

John Francis Amherst Cecil, then first Secretary of the British Embassy in Washington, in an ultra-feminine wedding in Washington in 1924. They were divorced 10 years later.

Yesterday, she and Bulkeley Johnson drove up back street and slipped through the back door of the drab Kehrington Registry Office in London for a brief ceremony, witnessed by only four people.

Then they vanished. They could not be reached today at the bride's four-storey brick house in the fashionable Kensington district, at Bulkeley Johnson's neighbouring home.

At the Registry Office, Bulkeley Johnson was quoted as saying: "We wanted no fuss or bother."

Miss Vanderbilt was once called America's richest girl.

She inherited US\$40,000,000 from her father, George W. Vanderbilt.—Associated Press.

THE INDONESIANS ADMITTED

that these remaining problems were

Two of the proposals submitted in the form of alternatives came from Indonesian delegates and one from the Dutch.

One Indonesian proposal, it is understood, gives an undisclosed figure in guilders which the Indonesians would be prepared to take over from the Dutch as Indonesia's national debt.

Alternatively, the Indonesians were believed to have suggested that the debt dispute be referred to a neutral foreign committee for a binding decision.

The Dutch were said to have proposed that the problem be submitted to a round-table conference special committee, comprising Dr. H. M. Hirschfeld, the Dutch Government Commissioner for Marshall Plan Aid, Mr. H. Cochran, the United States member of the United Nations Indonesian Commission, and Dr. Djajana, the Indonesian Republican Finance Minister.

The proposals are expected to be considered tomorrow by the Financial and Economic Committees of the round-table conference.

CONFERENCE OBSERVERS

Conference observers said that the two proposals were a very favourable sign after the standstill that at one time seemed to threaten the whole success of the conference.

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The new Minister will be empowered to fill vacant parishes; he can dismiss unwanted priests and install clergymen regarded as reliable.

DEPRESSION PREVAILLED

Observers said that the new move by the Indonesians in naming a specific sum for Indonesia's debt to Holland meant that the Indonesians had abandoned the stand taken during the week-end conference near Utrecht a fortnight ago.

They were reported to have surprised the conference by saying that they doubted whether Indonesia owned Holland anything and claiming that Holland owned Indonesia 1,700,000,000 guilders.

MAIN REASONS

It was felt in conference circles today that the pessimism about the outcome of the conference and the fears of failure were now unjustified.

Two main reasons were given:

1. Failure would be so extremely harmful to both delegations that they "dare not think of it."

2. The area of disagreement now left was so small that, as one observer put it, "it is not worth spoiling the ship for a half penny-worth of tar."

Asked what degree of actual agreement had been achieved, these Indonesian circles disclosed that the statute of the Netherlands-Indonesia Union was complete "but for a few minor points."

PROBLEMS REMAINING

The Military Committee of the conference was running smoothly and was well advanced on its own, they said. There was complete agreement on cultural matters, and in the Social Committee the future status of Dutch civil servants in Indonesia was about the only difficult point.

OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS

Outstanding problems that still awaited solution were the national debt and the status of New Guinea.

THE INDONESIANS

considered the Dutch arguments for not including New Guinea in the future Federal Republic "weak" and said that the Linggadjati and Renville Agreements provided for its inclusion.

The Indonesians admitted that

these remaining problems were

CRACK TRAIN JUMPS RAILS

Calcutta, Oct. 13.—At least five persons were killed and 31 more injured when the "crack" Bombay mail train jumped the rails 60 miles from Calcutta, it was learned here today.

Some of the injured persons are not expected to live.

The accident occurred late on Wednesday night.

A railway spokesman said today that eight fishplates and bolts had been removed from a section of the track.

Rescue work was carried on in moonlight early this morning.—Associated Press.

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